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In re the Application of: Issei ISHIMARU, et al.

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

August 5, 2003

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated February 5, 2003 for three months from May 5, 2003, to August 5, 2003.

Attached please find a check in the amount of \$930.00 to cover the cost of the extension for a large entity. In the event that any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

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